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Applicant:

Barbara Papadopoulou et al

Title:

MACROPHAGE-INFECTING PARASITES

EXPRESSING A GRANULOCYTE MACROPHAGE
COLONY STIMULATING FACTOR

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R. Haynes

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

Response Under 37 CFR 1.116 – Expedited Procedure

BY COURIER

The Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks,
BOX AF,
Washington, D.C. 20231,
U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 4, 1999 and the Advisory
Action of March 3, 2000, please amend this application in the following manner:

In the Claims:

Amend claim 10 as follows:

10. (Amended) A macrophage infecting [The] parasite which is a strain of *Leishmania*
and which is transformed by a plasmid containing a granulocyte macrophage colony
stimulating factor (GM-CSF) gene and [of claim 1] which parasite expresses GM-CSF
and at least one additional cytokine.

REMARKS

In the Advisory Action of March 3, 2000, the Examiner indicated that
claim 10 was being withdrawn from the prior art rejection and was objected to as



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